

REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully requests further examination in view of the above amendment. Within the Office Action, Claims 1-115 have been subject to an election/restriction requirement. Specifically, it is stated within the Office Action that Group I, represented by Claims 1-79, are drawn to measuring of flow rate of message having address header, classified in class 370, subclass 253, and Group II, represented by Claims 80-115, are drawn to pathfinding or routing, classified in class 370, subclass 351.

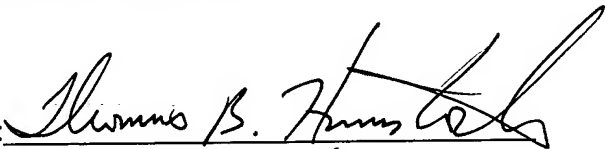
Applicant elects to prosecute Group I represented by Claims 1-79 without traverse. By way of the above amendment, Claims 80-115 have been indicated as being withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions or comments, he is invited to call the undersigned at (408) 530-9700 so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,
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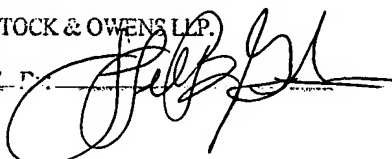
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